



# Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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## Warm Spring Weather Arrives

### Agricultural Summary

Temperatures across the state ranged from normal to eight degrees above normal for the week ending May 18. Precipitation occurred mainly in Eastern and Northern Idaho. Major agricultural activities included planting small grains, potatoes, corn for grain, lentils, dry peas, and dry beans.

### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture declined to 4% very short, 20% short, 75% adequate, and 1% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

**Crop Progress Table**

Percentages	2008	2007	Avg.
Oats Planted	80	94	81
Oats Emerged	51	64	58
Field Corn Planted	65	83	75
Field Corn Emerged	11	46	34
Lentils Planted	67	86	84
Lentils Emerged	8	22	51
Dry Beans Planted	31	51	35
Dry Peas Planted	74	86	87
Dry Peas Emerged	14	31	59

### Field Crop Report

Warmer weather has helped the crop progress and conditions this week. Franklin County reported that warmer weather enabled farmers to complete many farming activities. Nez Perce County reported that soils are dryer than expected and timely rain will be required to maintain optimal yields. Power County extension educator reported many sugarbeet acres within their county were lost due to a frost last week. Jerome County also reported some sugarbeet damage.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Hay and roughage supplies are at 34% very short, 48% short, 18% adequate, and 0% surplus. In Caribou County the cattle are still short of pasture but the warmer weather did help.

**Condition Table**

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Range & Pasture	10	14	27	37	12
Winter Wheat	--	1	14	77	8
Irr. Water Supply	--	--	10	83	7

**Grain Growth Stage**

Percentages	Jointed	Booted	Headed
Winter Wheat	27	5	--
Spring Wheat	2	--	--
Barley	3	--	--

**Crop Progress District Table**

Crop	North			Southwest			South Central			East			State		
	2008	2007	Avg	2008	2007	Avg	2008	2007	Avg	2008	2007	Avg	2008	2007	Avg
Spring Wheat															
Planted .....	94	99	91	100	100	100	100	100	100	91	92	92	93	95	93
Emerged .....	29	60	64	100	100	98	96	100	98	74	72	70	67	74	74
Barley															
Planted .....	91	99	90	100	100	100	97	100	98	76	88	83	84	92	87
Emerged .....	28	65	63	100	100	100	82	100	94	53	59	54	58	70	65
Alfalfa Hay															
1 <sup>st</sup> Cutting .....	--	3	1	4	15	11	3	7	8	--	1	--	2	6	5
Potatoes															
Planted .....	NA	NA	NA	100	99	100	93	98	88	81	79	69	85	85	76
Emerged .....	NA	NA	NA	59	71	69	9	28	19	--	5	1	6	15	11
Sugarbeets															
Emerged .....	NA	NA	NA	99	99	94	70	96	92	80	99	94	77	97	93

Avg (2003 – 2007); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

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# Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, May 18, 2008 <sup>1/</sup>

Station	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation		Since Mar 1 Precipitation		Growing Degree Days Since March 1		
	Hi	Lo	Av g	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Base 40 Total	Base 50 Total	Base 50 DFN
<b>North</b>											
Coeur D' Alene	87	37	56	1	0.13	-0.36	3.34	-1.80	307	86	-40
Grangeville	84	30	56	5	0.25	-0.51	6.65	-0.26	295	75	14
Lewiston	95	39	63	5	0.15	-0.13	1.48	-1.47	717	232	-18
Porthill	87	39	56	2	0.17	-0.23	2.72	-1.10	296	70	-16
Winchester	90	29	54	7	0.22	-0.53	4.38	-2.78	224	62	43
<b>Southwest</b>											
Boise	93	33	63	6	0.00	-0.24	1.90	-1.31	584	195	-29
Emmett	93	33	61	4	0.00	-0.21	1.71	-1.28	491	168	-65
Glenns Ferry	93	29	62	6	0.00	-0.21	1.27	-0.90	510	176	-65
Grandview	94	31	63	4	0.00	-0.14	0.60	-1.09	564	198	-112
Nampa	92	35	64	6	0.01	-0.18	1.18	-1.29	592	212	-80
Parma	95	37	65	8	0.00	-0.21	0.95	-1.69	624	213	-25
<b>South Central</b>											
Fairfield	84	22	53	4	0.01	-0.27	1.09	-1.93	180	47	-1
Malta	87	26	56	3	0.00	-0.35	0.85	-1.87	311	91	-55
Picabo	86	27	56	7	0.00	-0.28	0.94	-1.85	263	80	24
Rupert	87	30	57	4	0.00	-0.28	0.75	-1.56	344	109	-21
Twin Falls	87	33	59	6	0.00	-0.26	1.23	-1.34	393	126	-14
<b>East</b>											
Aberdeen	88	28	56	4	0.02	-0.26	0.78	-1.50	297	90	-3
Ashton	83	31	52	3	0.41	-0.10	2.73	-1.64	160	35	-9
Fort Hall	89	26	56	3	0.01	-0.34	1.12	-1.94	303	86	-32
Idaho Falls	84	27	54	2	0.16	-0.14	1.57	-1.01	295	71	-25
Lava Hot Springs	81	30	53	0	0.15	-0.20	2.67	-0.39	236	54	-64
Montevieu	86	29	55	4	0.00	-0.30	0.49	-1.74	230	56	-33
Preston	84	30	56	3	0.14	-0.28	2.39	-0.97	330	86	-52
Rexburg	85	27	53	3	0.00	-0.35	1.13	-1.93	211	45	-14

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit [www.awis.com](http://www.awis.com) or call 1-888-798-9955.

